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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Paul R. Hinton, *et al.*

Application Serial No.: 10/687,118

Filed: October 15, 2003

For: **ALTERATION OF FcRn BINDING  
AFFINITIES OR SERUM HALF-  
LIVES OF ANTIBODIES BY  
MUTAGENESIS**

Group Art Unit: Not Yet Assigned

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

Attorney's Docket No.:05882.0039.NPUS04

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

**Mail Stop Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

Applicants submit herewith a Preliminary Amendment to the above-cited application. The Examiner is respectfully requested to enter the amendments prior to considering the application.